Universal Credit monthly rates

The Annual Uprating of Universal Credit and other benefits is effective from 8 April 2024 in the service.

Rates will come into effect for assessment periods starting on or after 8 April 2024.

Universal Credit minimum amount

The table shows the minimum Universal Credit amount in the two years listed.

Universal Credit (monthly rates)	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Universal Credit minimum amount	£0.01	£0.01

Standard Allowance

The table shows the standard allowance rate for different types of claims, in the two years listed.

Type of claim	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Single under 25	£292.11	£311.68
Single 25 or over	£368.74	£393.45
Joint claimants: were both are under 25	£458.51	£489.23
Joint claimants: one or both are 25 or over	£578.62	£617.60

Carer amount

The table shows the carer amount for claims made in each of the two years listed.

Carer amount	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Carer amount	£185.86	£198.31

Child amount

The table shows the child amounts for claims for different children or qualifying young people made in the two years listed.

Type of claim	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
First child or qualifying young person born before 6 April 2017	£315.00	£333.33
First child born on or after 6 April 2017	£269.58	C297 02
Second and subsequent child or qualifying young person		1.201.92

Disabled Child Additions

The table shows the lower and higher rate Disabled Child Additions, for claims made in the two years listed.

The additions rate	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Lower rate addition	£146.31	£156.11
Higher rate addition	£456.89	£487.58

Childcare costs amount

The table shows the two different, maximum childcare cost amounts, for claims made in the two years listed.

Childcare costs amount	From 28 June 2023 to 2024	2024 to
April Maximum for one child	£950.92	£1014.63
Maximum for two or more children	£1,630.15	£1739.37

Non-dependants housing costs contributions

The table shows the non-dependants housing costs contributions, for claims made in the two years listed.

Non-dependants housing costs contributions	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Non-dependants housing costs contributions	£85.73	£91,47

Limited capability for work amounts

The table shows the two types of limited capability for work amounts, for claims made in the two years listed.

The type of Limited capability for work	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Limited capability for work amount_where the health-related Universal Credit or Employment and Support Allowance claim started before 3 April 2017	£146.31	£156.11
Limited capability for work and work-related activity amount	£390.06	£416.19

Work Allowances

The table shows the higher and lower Work Allowance rates, for claims made in the two years listed.

Work Allowances	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Higher Work Allowance (no housing): single or joint claimant responsible for a child or qualifying young person, or with limited capability for work	£631.00	£673.00
Lower Work Allowance (housing included in Universal Credit): single or joint claimant responsible for a child or qualifying young person, or with limited capability for work	£379.00	£404.00

Tariff income

The table shows the Tariff income rate, for claims made in the two years listed.

Tariff income	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Assumed income from capital for every £250 or part thereof between the capital disregard and the upper capital limit	£4.35	£4.35

Administrative Earnings Threshold Rates

The table shows the Administrative Earnings Threshold rates, for single people and couple claims made in the two years listed.

Claim type	2023 to 2024	From: 13/05/2024
Single claim		
	£743.00	£892.00
Couple claim		
	£1189.00	£1437.00

Sanctions: Universal Credit daily reduction

The table shows the 100% sanction reduction rate, for different claimants, in the two years listed.

Type of claimant	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Single under 25	£9.60	£10.20
Single 25 or over	£12.10	£12.90
Joint claimants: both under 25 (per sanctioned claimant)	£7.50	£8.00
Joint claimants: one or both 25 or over and one is sanctioned (per sanctioned claimant)	£9.50	£10.10

The table shows the 40% sanction reduction rate, for different claimants, in the two years listed.

Type of claimant	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Single under 25 (including under 18)	£3.80	£4.00
Single 25 or over	£4.80	£5.10
Joint claimants: both under 25 (per sanctioned claimant)	£3.00	£3.20
Joint claimants: one or both 25 or over (per sanctioned claimant)	£3.80	£4.00

The table shows the Employment and Support Allowance daily reduction rate for different claimants, in the two years listed.

		2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Under 25	£8.40	£9.50	£10.10
25 or over	£10.60	£12.00	£12.80

Deductions

The table shows the third party deductions rates at 5% of the Universal Credit standard allowance, (excluding deductions for rent and service charges included in rent) for different claimants, in the two years listed.

Type of claimant	2023 to	2024 to
	2024	2025
Single under 25	£14.61	£15.58
Single 25 or over	£18.44	£19.67
Joint claimants: both under 25	£22.93	£24.46
Joint claimants: one or both 25 or over	£8.94	£30.88

The table shows the minimum deductions for rent and service charges included in the rent at 10% of the Universal Credit standard allowance, for different claimants, in the two years listed.

Type of claimant	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Single under 25	£29.21	£31.17
Single 25 or over	£36.87	£39.35
Joint claimants: both under 25	£45.85	£48.92
Joint claimants: one or both 25 or over	£57.88	£61.76

The table shows the maximum deductions for rent and service charges included in rent at 20% of the Universal Credit standard allowance, for different claimants, in the two years listed.

Type of claimant	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Single under 25	£58.42	£62.34
Single 25 or over	£73.75	£78.69
Joint claimants: both under 25	£91.70	£97.85
Joint claimants: one or both 25 or over	£115.76	£123.52

The table shows the overall maximum deduction rate at 25% of the Universal Credit allowance, for different claimants, in the two years listed.

Type of claimant	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Single under 25	£73.03	£77.92
Single 25 or over	£92.19	£98.36
Joint claimants: both under 25	£114.63	£122.31
Joint claimants: one or both 25 or over	£144.71	£154.40

The table shows fraud overpayments, recoverable hardship payments and administrative penalties at 25% of the Universal Credit standard allowance, for different claimants, in the two years listed.

Type of claimant	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Single under 25	£73.03	£77.92
Single 25 or over	£92.19	£98.36
Joint claimants: both under 25	£114.63	£122.31
Joint claimants: one or both 25 or over	£144.71	£154.40

The table shows ordinary overpayments and Civil Penalties at 15% of the Universal Credit standard allowance for different claimants, in the two years listed

Type of claimant	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Single under 25	£43.82	£46.75
Single 25 or over	£55.31	£59.02
Joint claimants: both under 25	£68.78	£73.38
Joint claimants: one or both 25 or over	£86.82	£92.64

The table shows ordinary overpayments and civil penalties at 25% of the Universal Credit standard allowance if the claimant's and / or partner's earnings are over the Work Allowance, for different claimants, in the two years listed.

Type of claimant	2023 to 2024	2024 to 2025
Single under 25	£73.03	£77.92
Single 25 or over	£92.19	£98.36
Joint claimants: both under 25	£114.63	£122.31
Joint claimants: one or both 25 or over	£144.71	£154.40

National Minimum Wage and National Living Wage

The table below shows the <u>National Minimum Wage and National Living Wage</u> for different claimants in the two years listed.

Type of claimant	(Hourly rate) 2023 to 2024	From 01/04/2024
Age 23+	£10.42	£11.44
Age 21	£10.18	£11.44
Age 18 to 20	£7.49	£8.60
Under 18	£5.28	£6.40
Apprenticeship	£5.28	£6.40

Severe Disability Premium Transitional Protection

The table below shows the circumstance and amounts of, transitional severe disability premium element, payable and the period in which the claim was made.

Transitional Severe Disability premium element	Claims prior to 10 April 2023	Claimed on or after 10 April 2023 and before the 08 April 2024	Claims made on or after 08 April 2024 until 2025
Transitional SDP element if awarded includes LCWA This includes joint claims if the benefit unit is awarded LCWRA and one of the couple, is being cared for by someone in receipt of Carer's Allowance or the additional amount for a carer.	£120.00	£132.12	£140.97
Transitional SDP element if LCWRA is not in award. This includes joint claims were no LCWRA is awarded and one of the couple, is being cared for by someone in receipt of Carer's Allowance or the additional amount for a carer.	£285.00	£313.79	£334.81
Transitional element joint claims and higher SDP payable These are joint claims were neither member of the couple is being cared for by someone in receipt of Carer's Allowance or the added amount for a carer.	£405.00	£445.91	£475.79

The table below shows the Transitional Severe Disability premium additional amounts for, Enhanced Disability Premium, Disability Premium and Disabled Child Premium in the periods in which the claim was made.

The type of disability premium	Claims made on or after 14/02/2024	Claims made on or after 8/04/2024
Enhanced Disability Premium single	£84.00	£89.63
Enhanced Disability Premium couple	£120.00	£128.04
Disability Premium single	£172.00	£182.52
Disability Premium couple	£246.00	£262.48
Disabled Child Premium	£177.00	£186.86

Benefit Uprating Schedule

A full list of all benefit rates past and future can be found in the Benefit Uprating Schedule.